



Councilmember Sandy Allen

A PROPOSED RESOLUTION

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To declare the existence of an emergency with respect to the need to provide the Administrator of the Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities Administration with the authority to grant, refuse or withdraw consent for health care services, treatment, or procedures on behalf of incapacitated customers, subject to certain limitations.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Citizens with Mental Retardation Substituted Consent for Health Care Decisions Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2002".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia finds that:

- (1) Bill 14-357, the Citizens with Mental Retardation Substituted Consent for Health Care Decisions Temporary Amendment Act of 2001, is expected to expire on October 10, 2002.
- (2) This emergency legislation is necessary to prevent a gap in the legal authority.

Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia determines that the circumstances enumerated in section 2 constitute emergency circumstances making it necessary that the

Citizens with Mental Retardation Substituted Consent for Health Care Decisions  
Emergency Amendment Act of 2002 be adopted after a single reading.

Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.